



Combat Gauze





Combat Gauze Directions (1)

Expose Wound & Identify Bleeding

- Open clothing around the wound.
- If possible, remove excess pooled blood from the wound while preserving any clots already formed in the wound.
- Locate the source of the most active bleeding.

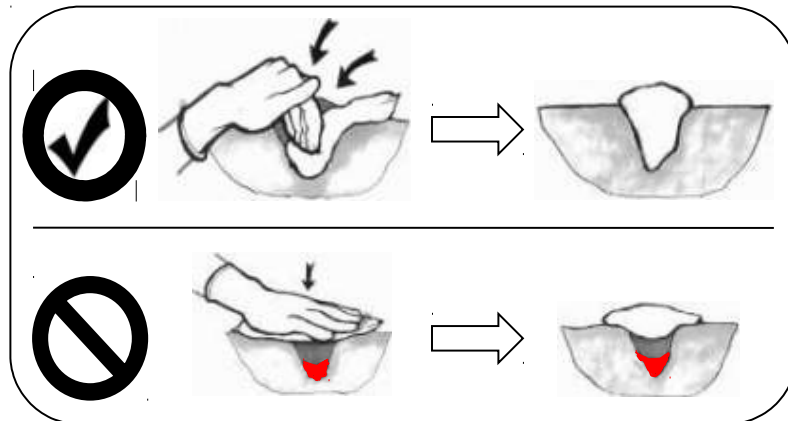




Combat Gauze Directions (2)

Pack Wound Completely

- Pack Combat Gauze tightly into wound and directly onto the source of bleeding.
- More than one gauze may be required to stem blood flow.
- Combat Gauze may be re-packed or adjusted in the wound to ensure proper placement.





Combat Gauze Directions (3)

Apply Direct Pressure

- Quickly apply pressure until bleeding stops.
 - Hold continuous pressure for 3 minutes.
 - Reassess to ensure bleeding is controlled.
- Combat Gauze may be repacked or a second gauze used if initial application fails to provide hemostasis.





Combat Gauze Directions (4)

Bandage over Combat Gauze

- Leave Combat Gauze in place.
- Wrap to effectively secure the dressing in the wound.



Although the Emergency Trauma Bandage is shown in this picture, the wound may be secured with any compression bandage, Ace wrap, roller gauze, or cravat.



Combat Gauze Directions (5) Transport & Monitor Casualty

- Do not remove the bandage or Combat Gauze.
- Transport casualty to next level of medical care as soon as possible.





Combat Gauze Training Video

